



## ELMAR celebrates the opening of its new Tanki Leendert facility with gifts for to charity

Last Friday, ELMAR, N.V. Aruba's distributor of electric power marked the opening of their new facility at Tanki Leendert with a celebration in the lovely environs of the Papiamento restaurant. Employees of ELMAR enjoyed a well-deserved fest after years of hard work under engineers Leo Boekhoust and Ronnie Lanoy, to complete the substation that will provide greatly increased wattage to the Palm Beach and Pos Aboa areas in particular. This new substation has the capacity of delivery 60,000 volts to these rapidly developing areas, and so relieve the enormous demand they are making on the island's transformers. In observance of this auspicious occasion, ELMAR also invited representatives of five worthy charities to attend and receive donations to help them with their good work. Vivian Storm of the Children's Committee of the Women's Club of Aruba, Judith Williams of FAVI, the organization to assist the visually impaired received checks from lay employees Bert Lampe and Elio Maduro, long time ELMAR workers, serving the utility for thirty-five years or more. Also receiving donations were Francisco Celaire, the director of SAMBA, a half way house for alcoholics, Marja Essed, treasurer of the Foundation for the Autistic, and Caroline Hoepel, Director of the Te Aworo Children's Center in San Nicolas, providing valuable care for preschool children of working parents. Giving them the checks on behalf of ELMAR were Jasmine v/d Biezen, only one year with the company, Nildo Wernet and Oshi Kock, respectively, both of them with over eleven years of service.

ELMAR Director Freddy Rafine thanked all the employees of ELMAR that were involved in the realization of the Tanki Leendert project, and joining them in the celebration was the head of WEB, N.V. Jossy Lacle, the government division the runs the generators that actually provide the power.

When the weather finally broke, attendee were able to enjoy a beautiful buffet around the charming gardens and pool of the restaurant run by the Ellis family in Palm Beach, the area that will most benefit from the new facility.